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CLAIMS

- 1. An adaptive modulation communication system that adaptively varies a modulation scheme for each transmit unit, wherein a transmitting-side apparatus sets different error detecting units corresponding to bit position, and transmits data subjected to error detecting processing on a different error detecting unit basis corresponding to bit position, and a receiving-side apparatus performs demodulation independently for each of the error detecting units using different demodulation patterns to obtain received data.
 - 2. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 1, wherein the modulation scheme is varied adaptively among M-ary modulation schemes each with a square root of the number of signal points being an integer.
 - 3. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 1, wherein the modulation scheme is varied adaptively among M-ary modulation schemes each with a square root of the number of signal points being not an integer.
- 4. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 3, wherein an arrangement of signal points is set so that a difference between the number of signal points in the I-axis direction and the number of signal points in the Q-axis direction is small.

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- 5. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 1, wherein the modulation scheme is varied adaptively among M-ary modulation schemes each using phase determination axes passing through the origin point in a signal space diagram.
- 6. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 5, wherein the M-ary modulation schemes using phase determination axes passing through the origin point in the signal space diagram are modulation schemes in which identification in an amplitude direction is performed.
- 7. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 5, wherein error correcting coding is performed collectively every a plurality of bits, and the receiving-side apparatus detects bits transmitted from the transmitting-side apparatus as effective bits by performing error detection.
- 8. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 1, wherein positions of pilot signals are set using a value half the maximum amplitude in a signal space diagram of an M-ary modulation scheme having
- 9. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 1, wherein a repeat request is performed for each of the error detecting units.

the largest modulation level.

10. The adaptive modulation communication system according to claim 9, wherein the modulation scheme is

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varied adaptively based on channel quality estimated from the repeat request.

11. A transmitting apparatus comprising:

means for setting different error detecting units corresponding to bit position; and

means for transmitting data subjected to error detecting processing on a different error detecting unit basis corresponding to bit position.

12. A receiving apparatus comprising:

means for receiving data subjected to error detecting processing on a different error detecting unit basis corresponding to bit position; and

means for demodulating the data independently for each error detecting unit using different demodulation patterns to obtain received data.